

## CHAPTER 22

AN ACT to incorporate the Coburn free library and for the establishment and maintenance of a free library in the village of Owego.

BECAME a law February 18, 1895, with the approval of the Governor. Passed, three-fifths being present.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, represented in Senate and Assembly, to enact as follows:

Section 1. The members of the board of education of central school district number one of the towns of Owego, Tioga, Nichols, Candor and Newark Valley, Tioga County, who are residents of the village of Owego, now in office: Louis D. Hyde, Albert R. Blanchard, Marion K. Hetherington, Stephen M. Lounsberry, Jr. and Lewis B. Parmerton, of said village, are hereby created a body politic and corporate by the name of the Coburn free library, at Owego, Tioga county, and by that name, they and their successors shall have and may have succession, may sue and be sued, may sell and convey real estate, and have a common seal and alter the same at pleasure; and they and their successors, by their corporate name, shall in law be capable of taking, receiving, purchasing and holding real and personal property, by gift, devise, bequest, grant or otherwise, for the purposes of their incorporation, and for no other purpose to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars; to make by-laws for the management of its affairs; to purchase, receive by gift or on deposit for use, any books, manuscripts, maps, prints, coins, metals, paintings and other literary articles

2. The object and purpose of said corporation is to found, continue and perpetuate a free, public, circulating and reference library for and among the inhabitants of the village of Owego; and it shall have power to demand, recover and receive all such money or other property, real or personal, as if given to it by virtue of the last will and testament of Andrew Coburn, or shall be conveyed or transferred to, or in any manner bestowed upon it, by the persons, executors or trustees by virtue of the power conferred upon them by the said last will and testament, and the said corporation shall have power to hold, manage, improve, dispose of and convey all property at any time received or acquired by it in such manner as may be best circulated to carry out its objects and purposes.

3. The directors of the said corporation shall be:

(a) Members of the board of education of central school district number one of the towns of Owego, Tioga, Nichols, Candor and Newark Valley, Tioga county, now in office, who are residents of the village of Owego and hereafter ~~if they re-elect~~ during their terms of office, ~~those members~~ of such board of education who are residents of the village of Owego, and

(b) The said Louis D. Hyde, Albert R. Blanchard and Marion K. Hotherington until their death, resignation or removal from the village of Owego, at which time their successors shall be chosen by the remaining directors for a term ending five years from the third Wednesday in the January following their election and thereafter their successors shall be chosen by the remaining directors at the annual meeting of said corporation for a term of five years commencing on the day of said annual meeting, and

(c) The said Stephen M. Lounsberry, Jr., and the said Louis B. Parmerton, for a term ending two years from the third Wednesday in January, nineteen hundred fifty-seven and at the expiration of the term of said Stephen M. Lounsberry, Jr. and Lewis

Parmerton their successors shall be chosen by the remaining directors at the annual meeting of said corporation for a term of five years commencing on the day of said annual meeting.

(d) In the event of the death, resignation or removal from the village of Owego of any of the persons named above in paragraph (b) or (c) or of their successors the remaining directors shall choose their successors to complete any unexpired term. (As amended by Chapter 866-Laws of 1956.)

4. The said corporation is hereby authorized to apply annually to the board of trustees of the village of Owego, for an appropriation of a sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, and the said board of trustees of said village is authorized to appropriate annually such a sum as they may determine, not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars, to said corporation. (As amended by Chapter 800-Laws of 1954.)

5. The supervisor of the town of Owego, is hereby authorized and required to pay annually to the corporation created by this act twenty-five per cent, of all monies received by him, or caused to be paid him from or by the excise board, or commissioners of excise of said town.

6. The supervisors of the county of Tioga, are hereby authorized and empowered to sell and convey any real estate owned by the county of Tioga in the village of Owego, not used for county purposes, to the corporation created by this act, on whatever terms may be mutually agreed upon by the board of supervisors and said corporation.

7. All of chapter fifty-three and chapter four hundred and eighteen of the laws of the eighteen hundred and seventy-three, are hereby repealed.

8. This act shall take effect immediately.